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Sir:

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27 is entitled to be asserted for the present application. The filing fees for a large entity were paid in this application on December 30, 2005.

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